

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 676

By Keisling

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Trent Coffey upon receiving the *Scott County News* 2017 Community Leader Award.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those citizens who, through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy person is Trent Coffey, who recently received the *Scott County News* 2017 Community Leader Award; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Coffey is the executive director of Schools Together Allowing No Drugs (STAND), a coalition of community organizations, businesses, and individuals focused on the health and well-being of the youth in Scott County; and

WHEREAS, under Mr. Coffey's eighteen years of leadership, STAND has achieved measurable outcomes in reducing substance abuse behaviors, increased the community's capacity for prevention of substance abuse, and successfully advocated for policy changes in the community; and

WHEREAS, by providing early identification of student drug use, STAND has helped decrease under-age alcohol-related arrests by sixty-three percent in Scott County in the last seven years; and

WHEREAS, in an effort to give back to the community, STAND's Youth Service Leadership Initiative volunteers provided over 1,500 service hours in the community, working at the annual Hall of Fame Dinner, serving over 1,400 community members in a back-to-school sale, and ringing bells for the Salvation Army; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Coffey is pleased to be part of an organization that has created positive change in Scott County; and

WHEREAS, Trent Coffey epitomizes the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly find it appropriate to acknowledge and applaud Trent Coffey for his dedication to Scott County and its citizens; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby congratulate Trent Coffey upon receiving the *Scott County News* 2017 Community Leader Award, commend him for his dedication to the good people of Scott County, and extend to him our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.